



National Weather Service

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



December 2001

Location	Date	Time	Path	Path	Number of		Estimated		Character of Storm
		Local/ Standard	Length (Miles)	Width (Yards)	Killed	Injured	Property	Crops	

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Huron

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Heavy Snow

After a prolonged mild spell across the region, cold air moved into the Great Lakes region during the last week of December. This cold air over the relatively warm waters of the Great Lakes caused a week-long period of lake effect snow. While most of Southeast Michigan was blanketed by only 2 to 3 inches of snow, a portion of Huron County was harder hit. During the evening of the 26th, southwest winds allowed a band of heavy lake effect snow to develop over central Lake Huron and northern Saginaw Bay. Approximately around midnight, this band of heavy snow moved onshore in northwestern Huron County. The band remained nearly stationary along M-25 from Caseville to Port Austin until 8 am, when the band dissipated. Spotters and road crews reported 6 to 10 inches of snow had fallen by 8 am in this narrow portion of Huron County.